

**OFFICIAL MINUTES AND ACTIONS TAKEN
ARCH HURLEY CONSERVANCY DISTRICT'S
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Tuesday, June 7, 2010

Directors Present: Larry Perkins; President, Tom Bruhn; Vice President, Pablo Lopez, Director; John Gilbertson, Director

Directors/Staff Absent UV Henson; Secretary/Treasurer, Heartland Student; Elizabeth Smith

Staff Present: Franklin McCasland, District Manager; Donna Lafferty, Office Manager.

Guests Present: Thomas Evans, Robert Evans, Jimmy Speed, Drake Swenson, Phillip Box, David Foote, Cody Young, JD McEwen, Harry Heckendorn, Catherine Bugg and Ray Bates.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER-

Finding a quorum present and finding this regularly scheduled meeting of the Arch Hurley Conservancy District's Board of Directors duly advertised, as required by statute, President Perkins called this meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. in the District Office.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

The Pledge of Allegiance was lead by President Perkins and the Invocation was given by Phillip Box.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING
MAY 11, 2010-**

Director Lopez made the motion to approve the draft minutes of the Arch Hurley Conservancy District's May 11, 2010 meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Bruhn. Motion carried 4 – 0.

Perkins – “YES”
Bruhn – “YES”

Directors Voted:
Gilbertson – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”
Henson – “ABSENT”

MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager McCasland introduced Tina Garcia, the new Payroll/Accounts Payable Clerk. President Perkins wanted it noted that the Heartland Youth Student wasn't present.

Today the Conchas Lake elevation is at 4166.99 feet. Conchas Lake received 6,588 acre feet of inflow for the month of May. Last year at this time the elevation of Conchas lake was 4162.7 feet.

On May 19, Mike Hamman, Albuquerque Area Director for the BOR, along with Nate Gentry from LRPA came to town to view the Conservancy District. The main two topics of discussion was the federal screening program and the BOR taking a more active roll in protest on the Canadian River and it's tributaries.

On May 20 and 21, Anthony Vigil and three staff from the B.O.R. were here to inspect the five siphons. There were no structural deficiencies found in any of the siphons. Arch Hurley will receive a written report from the BOR in 6-8 weeks.

On the evening of May 25 we had a fire start on George Arguello's property just off of the 11 mile road. The fire was quickly contained to a small area. I met with Mr. Arguello and Arch Hurley has repaired the fence and cleaned up the area that was burned. We finished burning the canals on May 26. The men are doing some spot burning in some bad areas.

On June 1, Arch Hurley's auditor, Chester Mattocks, was here to hold the exit conference. UV Henson, Tina, Donna and I were present for the audit review. The audit has been sent to the State Auditor's Office in Santa Fe for their approval. It should be on the Boards' agenda next month for their approval.

On June 2, Roy Cruz with Sutron came to Tucumcari. Mark and Craig took him around the project and identified several locations that would be suitable for flow meters. Roy will send us his proposal on cost and type of equipment he recommends for the locations.

On June 2, 3, and 4, Tara attended a grant writing workshop in Clovis. It was held by the Eastern Plains Council of Governments.

The Maintenance Department has finished cleaning silt from the outlet at Conchas to Tunnel One. They also installed some culverts on T-4 and are grading some of the canal roads.

VISITORS COMMENTS

There were no visitor's comments to be reported.

WATER ALLOCATION

After a lengthy discussion of different scenarios, Director Bruhn made the motion to allocate 2” of water at this time. The motion was seconded by Director Lopez. Motion carried 4 – 0. There is a minimum of 40 af of orders required to turn on the water.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”
Bruhn – “YES”

Gilbertson – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”
Henson – “ABSENT”

RESOLUTION 2010-007 CORPORATE AUTHORIZATION

Director Bruhn made the motion to approve Resolution 2010-007. The motion was seconded by Director Gilbertson. Motion carried 4 – 0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”
Bruhn – “YES”

Gilbertson – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”
Henson – “ABSENT”

RELEASE OF LIEN

Director Bruhn made the motion to approve the release of lien #201005210006. The motion was seconded by Director Lopez. Motion carried 4 – 0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”
Bruhn – “YES”

Gilbertson – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”
Henson – “ABSENT”

UPDATE ON FEDERAL SCREENING PROGRAM

Manager McCasland stated that enclosed in the packet are correspondences pertaining to the Federal Screening Program. The correspondences include reasons for denial and reasons for reconsideration. Mike Connor, Commissioner of US Bureau of Reclamation, will meet with his staff and give Arch Hurley an answer and if the BOR legal department doesn't agree with screening, Mr. Connor will ask his staff to draw up the language to get authorization thru a bill from Congress. Arch Hurley is a federally owned project and Mr. Connor believes that should be reason for Arch Hurley's participation in this program. Attorney Chuck DuMars sited a statute where Arch Hurley should qualify for

this Program. Mike Hamman, BOR Area Manager, was impressed with Arch Hurley during his tour on May 19 and expressed interest in attending a Board Meeting.

UPDATE ON HARRY HECKENDORN LAND USE REQUEST

The Bureau of Reclamation will approve this request if it has approval from the Board and it was approved on March 9, 2010. The BOR wanted a written agreement, legal description of lands involved, and a time frame for the agreement. Possibly the agreement will be for 25 years and will be reviewed at 10 years, 20 years, and 25 years. It was also discussed that this land use is only with Harry Heckendorn and will end with Harry Heckendorn.. The details of this request will be handled by Manager McCasland and Harry Heckendorn and then be presented to the Board and then to BOR.

DIRECTORS COMMENTS

Director Bruhn asked about the progress of Skip Vernon issue. Manager McCasland reported that the last phone conversation they had Mr. Vernon stated that he was too busy to deal with Arch Hurley and he would be out of the country for a while.

Director Lopez stated that all the gates across ditches and canals will now need to be open.

President Perkins wanted to commend the crews on their work and getting the work done. He saw smoke, evidence of burning, early in the morning. President Perkins stated that some of his gates were left open.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

Director Gilbertson made a motion to pay the submitted bills. The motion was seconded by Director Bruhn. Motion carried 4-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”
Bruhn – “YES”

Gilbertson – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”
Henson – “ABSENT”

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING-

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m. with a unanimous vote.

ARCH HURLEY CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

President Larry Perkins

ATTEST:

Vice President Tom Bruhn

